

**METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR DIAGNOSING AND TREATING  
PREECLAMPSIA AND GESTATIONAL TROPHOBLAST DISORDERS**

**Abstract of the Disclosure**

5           The invention provides methods for identifying compounds which are  
modulators of syncytin expression. The invention also provides methods for  
diagnosing a subject who is suffering from or at risk for developing preeclampsia, and  
kits for diagnosing such a subject. The invention further provides methods for  
treating a subject who is suffering from or at risk for developing preeclampsia. The  
10   invention still further provides methods for treating a subject who is suffering from a  
gestational trophoblast disorder.